MARKET IS LISTLESS

Steel One of the Most Attractive on Atchison the List and Advance in Dividend At. Coast Line. Rate Is Again Rumored-Bank of England Not in Position to Lend Brook R. T.. Gold to America for the Present.

New York, Dec. 21.—The stock market

Wore a somewhat more cheerful face to
Cart. Lea. pfd......
Chi. Gt. W.....
Chi. Gt. W....
Chi. M. & St. P. rights day, although the trading was dull and the moderate advances in values that Chi. U. T. pfd...... occurred were accomplished in a slow and desultory manner. Opening prices of stocks were rather above than below their closing quotations yesterday, but the tendency of the market toward inactivity was exemplified as plainly as at any other time during the day in the day in the discontinuous control of the market toward inactivity was exemplified as plainly as at any other time during the day in the discontinuous control of the market toward inactivity was exemplified as plainly as at any other time during the day in the discontinuous control of the market toward inactivity was exemplified as plainly as at any other time during the day in the discontinuous control of the market toward inactivity was exemplified as plainly as at any other time during the day in the

was continued. The reasons put forward for the advance in the stock were that Pa. R. R. Pres. Steel..... People's Gas Company had largely set- Peo. Gas tied the matters in dispute between it and the city of Chicago, and was in a position to enlarge its rate of dividend distribution by the control of the con tion. Rumors were also heard in speculative circles of an alliance between the company and the Chicago Edison Com-

Reading Common Is Weak.

weakest quarter of the market to-day, stock exchange gossip had nothing to in-fer the stock was steadily, although for sale from the openand for some reason concerning which

A strong stock during the day was, as West, Union. it has been for some time, United States Steel common, and there was a recurrence of stories that an advance in the dividend rate on the stock at the January meeting of the directors of the United States Steel Corporation was pos-

The annual report of the Southern Pa-

As definite a cause as any for the improvement in sentiment was doubtless the greater ease displayed in call money sponding week of 1905, as follows:

8 and 8½ per cent.

During the afternoon money lent in Kansas City... abundance at 5 per cent. This was due, seemingly, to the indications for a pretty good bank statement to-morrow. Estimates of the condition of the local banks, tenn. as regarded cash reserves, were that the Washington

reduced.

This better feeling was also helped by cable advices as to the large amount of gold obtained by the Bank of England to-Knowille, Tenn. day in France, this sum reaching over 32,500,000; and it was said that the Bank of France had agreed to lend a further quantity of money for use at the end of the year settlements in England. Gratify-large the development ing as the development was, it emphasized the fact that all ideas of gold exports Galveston.. from England to this city in the near future are, in spite of the favoring state of the foreign exchange market, entirely unfounded.

Bank of England Losing.

The low condition of the Bank of England, as disclosed in the bank's return American Can. made in the middle of the week, was admittedly due to the merely temporary drain of money for the uses of individuals during the Christmas holidays. As the bank, however, is still losing money to South Africa, and demands for Nipissing Mining... funds for use in the great speculation in Standard Oil. land in Egypt are still insistently addressed to it, it is clear that the bank, with the usual stress of the closing days of December approaching, is in no position to spare gold for American account. Such is the financial strain of the mo- bonds closing: ment in England that discounts there in the open market on "bills to arrive" were 2s, registered, 1930 cent discount rate of the Bank of English, coapolish, existered, 1925...

after January I, as a strong movement is obviously in progress in English financial Panama Canal 2s, coupon...

District of Columbia 3.65s... circles toward an ingathering of money Philippine 4s... into the country for the-purpose of keeping there a larger proportion of gold re-serve against general deposit liabilities than has been kept in the past. Sterling exchange here to-day rose slightly, and there was another advance in the price of American Tobacco 6s..

copper metal.

Rumors that could not be verified prevalled here and in Boston that a quantity of copper had sold for "spot" or immediate delivery at 25 cents a pound. High diste delivery at 25 cents a pound. High as the present quotation for copper seems, it is to be remembered that all the older manufacturers of the country can recall a period when the commodity sold at double its present price, and that it was not contained by the result is the result of the result in the result of the result is the result of the result in the result of the res until the year 1878 that copper sold in this Delawars and Hudson 4s. country below 171/2 cents per pound. In Distillers' Sect 1880 the average price of Lake copperthat being the only class of the commodity
then dealt in—was 21½ cents a pound.

Eric convertible
Eric convertible then dealt in-was 211/2 cents a pound. The figures represent the ordinary Kansas City S course of business dealings undisturbed by Lake Shore is.

any "cornering" operations as those, later on, of the Secretan syndicate. Considering the magnitude of the development of the electrical industry in the last two decades.

Lake Shore 4s. Louisville and Nashville unified 4s. Missouri, Kansas and Texas first. Missouri, Kansas and Texas 44s. M. J. and K. C. 5s. on, of the Secretan syndicate. Considering electrical industry in the last two decades, Mobile and Ohio general 4s... and particularly in the last five years, New York Central ts.... and the diminishing rate of the production of copper in the last twelve-month, ruling prices for copper cannot be said to be surprising, and, in the judgment of all well-informed people in the copper manu-facturing, as well as in the copper pro-Northern Pacific 3s. ducing, trade, are likely to be exceeded in Oregon Short Line 4s. the years to come.

NEW YORK MONEY.

New York, Dec. 21.—Money on call at the stock exchange to-day opened at 8 per cent; highest, 9; lowest, 4; closing, 5. Most of the loans were at 8 per cent.

Time money was possibly a trifle easier, and some business was done. Rates, 9 per cent for thirty days, 8 per cent for sixty days, 7½ per cent for mety days, 7 per cent for four and five months, 6½ per cent for six menths, and 6 per cent for one year.

Rens. and S. Securities.

St. L. and S. F. is.

St. L. and S. F. is.

San Antonio and Ar. Pass is.

Southern Pacific collateral trust 4s.

Southern Railway 4s, St. Lenis div.

T. C., I. and R. R. 5s.

U. S. Steel 5s, sink fund, cash.

U. S. Steel 5s, registered.

Union Pacific 4s. Time money was possibly a trifle easier, and some business was done. Rates, 9 per cent for thirty days, 8 per cent for sixty days, 9 per cent for thirty days, 7 per cent for sixty days, 7 per cent for one year. Mercantile paper offered with moderate freedom. The demand was nominal. Rates, 6 to 6½ per cent for sixty to ninety days, indorsed bills receivable; 6 to 6½ per cent for choice four to six months, single names, and 7 per cent and above for others. Sterling was barely steady to day, with rates little changed. Rates for actual business were as follows:
Sixty days, 4:780a4.7785; demand, 4:8326a4.8325; cables, 4:8440a4.8445.

ercial bills were 4.77a4.78% The supply of cotton bills was moderate

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

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WEEKLY BANK CLEARINGS.

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CURB MARKET.

GOVERNMENT BONDS.

MISCELLANEOUS BONDS.

Western Union 4½s. 100 Total Sales, \$1,562,000, against \$1,807,000 yesterday, \$2,334,000 a week ago, and \$3,375,000 a year ago,

New York, Dec. 21,-United States go

Southern Ry. pfd ...

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Quotations furnished by Charles G. Gates & Co.,

Am. Loco..... Am. S. F. pfd.

Sales, Open, High, Low, Da.21, De.23

early dealings.

A recurrence of the liquidating movement after the first hour of business once more depressed prices, the Northern Pacific and Great Northern preferred stocks [English of throughout the week. The stocks thus sold, however, were easily absorbed, and the market soon advanced to a higher level than it has touched at any time during the last two days. At the close prices were again a little weaker.

There were no particular features of the day's transactions. The Great North, M. K. & T. Jefa. 2,000 Tilly Tilly Tilly Cent. 2,000 Tilly Tilly Tilly Tilly Tilly Tilly Cent. 2,000 Tilly Tilly Tilly Tilly Tilly Tilly Cent. 2,000 Tilly to charge a higher rate than this, for even firms with the best for even f those of a special nature, cannot get Washington Railway and Electric comm fair average, the carrying charge for the Bristol Gas and Electric, 50 at 35.

Mergenthaler, 5 at 198%, 1 at 199, 2 at 198%, 10 in yesterday's market, with a few issues the commission, the buyer who carries at 198, 19 at 198.

where the rate will be near 20 per cent

to make a rate on customers' accounts s low as to make the charges of others loo like extortion. It is certainly in the power of some one connected with Unio Pacific to give favored brokers unfair ad Totals, with Corresponding Increase vantage of others.

The circular issued by the St. Pau cline Company attracted no attention as being entirely in accord with forecasts of its character issued by the company cember 12, 1906, and the percentage of in-New York, Dec. 21.-Bank clearings for management regarding the new issue of crease or decrease for the week ending assuming certificates of stocks to sub- Greene Copper December 29, compared with the correscribers, their legal representatives or Mitchell assigns, for such amounts as shall have American rates, although conditions in the time money situation did not relax at all, and rates for this class of funds continued to held at the highest prices witnessed in Philadelphia.a. 158.652.857 11.2 ... 152.726,307 deal of interest in the question of where the buyer of the rights would stand if, Farners and Mechanics'. the buyer of the rights would stand it.

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26,166.109
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21 per cent on his allotment, the directors,

Riggs 25,660,850 "in their discretion," decided to give him Sec 20,003,880 "in their discretion," decided to give him traders' ... 27,728,582 stock to the par value of his subscription Washington 21,523,651 and thus completed the transaction.

13,416.022 It is evident that the control of the

13,416.022
The sevident that the cost of the rights American Security and Trust.

Would in that case be out of all proportion to the amount of stock obtained by Washington Loan and Trust.

Washington Loan and Trust.

Washington Loan and Trust. exercising them, and that although, in Union Tra 5,847,509 smaller degree, the same would hold true 5.81,707 after subsequent payments to next year.
3.486,217 The fact that the directors have re2.099,350 coined this results for the directors have received this power is one of the reasons ,696,729 Why the rights are not popular. It may Arlington .06,729 Willy the Figure 574,369 be that the provision in question contem-1,417,706 plates the giving of new warrants, en- Firemen's 1,525,372 titling the holder of the rights to con- Franklin 2.382.64 tinue his subscriptions and to receive German American 780.331 ultimately the balance of stock repaid in Matropolitan National Union.

30,509,501 his allotment, but on this important matter the circular is nugatory.

St. Paul insiders, "at their discretion," Riggs boosted the stock to record prices just before the announcement of the rights, and there is a supposition that they also short interest and replace it by one of Gr their own. The peculiar provision in the Gr official circular referred to above might be discreetly availed of at any time in 274 the next couple of years to supply new stocks to relieve any awkward situation *Ex-div. †Ex-rights. produced by a short interest, if less distasteful to the directors than the one which was driven in a week ago. This looks like too much "discretion,"

E. H. Harriman is said to have devised street northwest, G. Bowie Chipman, man the scheme adopted by the directors of St. Paul for the sale of the new stocks, Boston and Albany and brokers are wondering what the ob- Boston Elevated ... ject was in making it so unlike anything

Bid. Asked.
else that the street has known. Mr. HarNew York, New Haven and Hartford. riman is not in the St. Paul board, but it | American Pneumatic Tube ... is understood that he has been operating in the stock within the last year. Has a American Sugar Marican Sugar pfd.

American Telephone and Telegraph... loop-hole been purposely left to permit the retreat at any time of a favored short interest?

New York, Dec. 21.-Stock exchange bond trans- be treated alike, although as far as the Bingham

but on the day when the news became known it broke 20 points. The high point

As Amalgamated Copper officials do not expect to show any increase in the production of the metal, it would be interesting to knew who was responsible of for the report of rich new strikes which reached New York in the past 1334 year. Apparently, the trade will have to content itself next year with about the same amount of copper that was

COLOMBIA GOLD PLACER STOCK

Antioquia, South America. R. T. ORRISON, 324 Pa. Ave. S.E.

produced in the year just drawing to a WALL STREET NOTES close and will be forced to pay a much

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on a new issue, giving new warrants for further subscription. The same may be done this time. According to the precedent then established all subscribers would dent then established all subscribers would circular is concerned, the directors are left with full discretion to do as they please in the matter.

The customers of brokerage houses were reminded of old times when, by an error, a quotation of 118% for Brooklyn Rapid Transit was printed on the stock exchange ticker. The stock sold around that price on the day of Gov. Flower's death. of the Flower boom was 137, or about 55 points higher than the present level. Then, as now, there was talk of a divilend, and the frequent recurrence of these stories during the past seven or eight beeves, 6.90a7.35; poor to medium, 4.00a4.65; stockers years goes to show that "hope springs and feeders, 2.50a4.65; cows and heifers, 2.60a4.90; eternal" in Wall street speculative circles. The decision on the Coney Island fare question will probably be handed down in January, and will have an important bearing on the dividend prospects.

Operating in the department of Bought and sold. Information

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bulls on the stock say the expectation of an increased rate never entered into their predictions of higher prices for the stock. This is interesting in view of the stock was recorded as high as 199, and ten shares sold as low as a 199, and ten shares sold as low as 199, and ten shares sold as low as a 199, many tips that were passed around a 197%.

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Greene Copper started in at 31½ and 3. 39a39½; do., No. 4. 37½a38; mixed, No. 2. 39. sales; do., No. 3. 37½a38; No. 4. 36a36½. (Note—The above sold up to 21½ going at a salely in 100.) week ago about an increase in the divi-

think themselves lucky that it is not stock, payable January 14, to stock of more.

Sales-Regular call, 12 o'clock noon.

will be \$2.25 a share, so that, including at 198, 19 at 198, 10 at 197%, 10 at 198, 10 at 198, 10 slightly more conspicuous by their higher.) through the month a stock costing that price will be confronted with a loss of 2½ points, even if at the end of the month the price is exactly what it was at the beginning.

Through the month a stock costing that there are a long to the price will be confronted with a loss of 2½ Mitchell Mining, 100 at 5½, 100 at 5½. Mitchell Mining, 100 at 5½, 100 at 5½. American Security and Trust, 10 at 25%. Union Trust warrants, 1 at 22, 6 at 22, 14 at 22.

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SE.	\$1,500 at 86.
n	Following are the closing prices on yester
	local exchange:
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S	Philippine Land Purchase 4s 1091/2
	District of Columbia 3.65s
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ie.	Washington Gas Company 4s 1011/2
	Washington Gas Co. cert. ind. 6s 111
	RAILROAD BONDS. *
ıl	Capital Traction 4s 104
	Anacostia and Potomac 5s 102
9-	City and Suburban 5s 103
1-	Columbia second mortgage 5s 1051/4
i.	Columbia 5s 110
	Metropolitan 5s
it	Metropolitan cert, indebt. 6s 100
al	Washington Railway and Electric 4s 851/2
ì-	MISCELLANEOUS BONDS.
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	PUBLIC UTILITY STOCKS.
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	Bristol Gas and Elec. 5s
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MINING STOCKS. NATIONAL BANK STOCKS.

SAVINGS BANK STOCKS FIRE INSURANCE STOCKS.

TITLE INSURANCE STOCKS

Quotations are furnished by E. R. Chapman &

MISCELLANEOUS STOCKS.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

New York, Dec. 21.-CATTLE-Receipts, Steers, 4.00a5.90; Christmas cattle, 7.10; bulls, 3.15a 3.75; fancy, 4.65; cows, 1.50a4.00. CALVES-Receipts, 150. Veals and barnyard alves nominal. Kentucky calves, 3.50a6.00. SHEEP AND LAMBS-Receipts, 930. Sheep dull and depressed. Lambs, 6.00a7.75; Canada lambs, 7.00: Lambs barely steady.
HOGS—Reccipts, 7,250. Nominally weak.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 21.—CATTLE—Receipts, 3,500; estimated for Saturday, 500. Market dull. Prime canners, 1.40a2.50; Westerns, 3.50a4.60; Texans, 4.00

HOGS-Receipts, 30,000; estimated for Saturday, 30,000. Market 10c lower. Light, 5,85a6,27½; roughs, 5,20a6,40; heavy, 5,10a6,42½; pigs, 9,70a10,00; 5,70a6,00. SHEEP-Receptps, 8,000; estimated for Saturday, 3,000. Market steady. Native sheep, 3,25a5,60; Western sheep, 3,20a3,50; native lambs, 4,50a7,65; Western sheep. ern lambs, 4.60a7.50.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 21.—CATTLE—Receipts, 300 VEALS-Receipts, 700 head; active and 50 cents

HOGS-Receipts, 6,800 head; slow and 5 to 10 bents ower. Heavy mixed Yorkers and pigs, 6,50a6,65; oughs, 5,75a5,90. roughs, 5.75a5.90, SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 29,990 head; slow to easier. Lambs, 5.05a7.40; wethers, 5.25a5.50; ewes, 4.75a5.00; sheep, mixed, 3.06a5.00; Canada lambs, 7,90a

LOCAL FINANCIAL GOSSIP.

higher price for it.

Now that the Reading dividend has been declared at the regular rate the bulls on the stock say the expectation of an increased rate never entered into their predictions of higher prices for the stock. This is interesting to the stock was recorded as high.

Interest at the Washington Stock Exchange yesterday centered chiefly in Mergenthaler, Greene Copper, and Mitchell Mining. All these stocks were active, though most of the sales in Mergenthaler were of the self-to-self variety. One share of this stock was recorded as high.

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James B. Lackey, secretary of the Washington Railway and Electric Comoany, has resigned to accept a business of-

at 198, 19 at 198.

Greene Copper, 10 at 31½, 5 at 31½, 100 at 31%, through the session a waiting attitude existed and consequently dealings were much restricted. Outside commission usiness was light. The renewing rate for noney was 81/2 per cent, but the rate later ic 4s, declined below 6. On the known movement of mone; the banks are slightly over \$6,000,000 ahead, and this, with the liquidation of the week should cause to-Asked. day's bank statement to show the surplus reserve re-established by a comfortable margin '

George L. Edmunds, of Dick Brothers & Co.—"The hammering of Reading by bear operators caused the whole list to react, but the volume of stocks sold was small; and though the market continued unsettled, with particular weakness in Northern Pacific and Great Northern, subsequently the whole list rallied well, especially Great Northern ore stock, which gained nearly 3 points over last night's close. Call money ruled much easier, fluctuating between 10 and 4½ per cent. Apparently, a general advance in prices is only held back by the high interest rates, and if money should rule below 8 per cent, even for three or four days, the market should do materially better. It would seem that we have seen the bottom for some little time, at least."

EGGS-Recepts liberal and market firm. Nearby, fresh Virginia, 25 to 26; West Virginia and Southwest Virginia, 25 to 26; West Virginia and Southwest Virginia, 25 to 26; West Virginia and bouthwest Virginia, 25 to 26; West Virginia, 25 to 26; West Virginia, 26; To 26; West Virginia, 25 to 26; Mest Virginia, 25 to 26; North Carolina, 25 to 26; Mest Virginia, 25 to 26; North Carolina, George L. Edmunds, of Dick Brothers the bottom for some little time, at least."

Benjamin Woodruff, of Post & Flagg—

"The easier tone of money has helped matters a little, and prices show some further improvement. The banks have gained quite materially from the subbank statement is looked for. There is not much to say about the market. Everything is waiting on money, and fluctuations are immaterial either way. Call money is slightly easier, but I think we will have a severe pinch later, as time money is just about tight as ever."

Herbert L. Jones, of Charles G. Gates & Co.—"While the market has steadied somewhat, and money appears easier, I do not look for much improvement in the immediate future. Good stocks are a purchase on substantial declines and a sale on good rallies. Talk of a prominent international banking house receiving \$29,000,000 to \$25,000,000 of gold for import, if secured, will benefit both the money and stock markets. It is becoming evident that Secretary Shaw has no intention of Benjamin Woodruff, of Post & Flagg-

and stock markets. It is becoming evident that Secretary Shaw has no intention of wool AND HIDES—wool, washed, free of but the secretary shaw has no intention of

"The market shows considerable rallying power. On any decline in prices stocks were well taken, and the buying was of the best character. Upon the easing of call money the volume of business improved, and the majority of good investment issues closed at or near the highest prices of the day. Union Particular to the highest prices of the business investment issues closed at or near the highest prices of the day. Union Particular to the highest prices of the day. Union Particular to the highest prices of the business investment issues closed at or near the highest prices of the day. Union Particular to the business furnished by Dick Bros. & Co., members of the New York and New Orleans Cotton exchanges, 1412 H street northwest. 'Phones main's the business in the latest prices of the day. Union Particular to the latest prices of the business in the latest prices of the business in the latest prices of the same of the New York and New Orleans Cotton exchanges, 1412 H street northwest. 'Phones main's the business in the latest prices of the New York and New Orleans Cotton exchanges, 1412 H street northwest. 'Phones main's the business in the latest prices of the New York and New Orleans Cotton exchanges, 1412 H street northwest. 'Phones main's the business in the latest prices of the New York and New Orleans Cotton exchanges, 1412 H street northwest. 'Phones main's the latest prices of the New York and New Orleans Cotton exchanges, 1412 H street northwest. 'Phones main's the latest prices of the New York and New Orleans Cotton exchanges, 1412 H street northwest.' were it not that the dullness incident census report of yesterday. The market opened at to the holiday season has set in, the a gain of about 10 points, and maintained it advance in that and some of the other throughout most of the session, while the maxi-leaders would have been greater. The mum advance was about 16 points. The improve market will undoubtedly be dull and ment would have gone farther, except for hfeless until after the Christmas holi- tion by stale bells. The into-sight for the week BOSTON STOCKS.

Week, and during the first week of the new year. A large amount of money will be distributed in interest and dividends for northwest, G. Bowie Chipman, manager.

Bid Asked.

Gay, but 1 look for ingrer prices next showed a laming on room the prevous week. The figures were \$12,294, against \$19,900 last week, and \$33,000 last year. Trading was dull in the late session, as New York and New Orleans are closed dends during the first week in January, and later this money will be seeking the prices next showed a laming on room the prevous week. The figures were \$12,294, against \$19,900 last year. Trading was dull in the late session, as New York and New Orleans are closed during the first week in January, and later this money will be seeking.

NEW YORK PRODUCE.

New York, Dec. 21.—SUGAR was quiet and steady; December New York, Dec. 21.—SUGAR was quiet and steady; raw nominal, with duty-paid prices quoted on the basis of 3 13-16 for 8-6-test centrifugal, 3 5-16 for 89-test muscovado, and 3 1-16 for molasses sugar, 83-test, London market for sugar beets was steady and somewhat higher at 8s, 10\foxed. for December, and 8s, 10\foxed. for January. The risible supply is reported by Willett and Gray as follows: Total stock of European and American, 3,147,711 tons, against 3,281,231 tons last year, at the same uneven dates. The decrease of stocks is 135.290 tons, against a decrease of 142,080 tons last week. The raw and refined sugar market will be closed December 24 and 25 for the observance of Christmas holidays.

BUTTER—Receipts, 5,056; butter ruled very firm at former prices on the basis of 32 for extra creamerry.

ery.

EGGS—Receipts, 6,237 cases; a slight decline noted for eggs, with market quiet and Western firsts quoted at 23.

NAVAL STORES—Stock rosin, 31,623 bbls; spirits turpentine, 1,311 bbls; tar, 347 bbls. For spirits turpentine market ruled quiet and unchanged at 70 asked for machine-made barrels. Rosin was also quiet at former prices, with common to good strained named at 4,13a20,30. Tar nominal and not quoted.

RYE FLOUR-Steady; moderate business, 3.65a

CORN MEAL-Fair demand; kiln dried for ex- CORNort, 2.65a2.70; coarse meal, in bags, 1.65a1.06. May. BUCKWHEAT FLOUR-Small business, at 2.15a July. HAY-Steady; moderate demand; receipts, 850 May...
ons; prime, 1.10; No. 1, 1.10; No. 2, 1.00al.05; No. July...
pork-

STRAW-Steady, but trade quiet; long rye, 60a65.

BEEF-Moderate inquiry; family, 13.50a14.50; LARD-May PORK-Steady; trade dull; mess, 17.50a18.50;

FRUDUUE IN BALTIMUKE.

1. Sheep And Lambs - Receipts, 20,000 head; slow to casier. Lambs, 5.00a. 4.0; wethers, 5.25a.5.9; ewes, 4.75a.5.0; sheep, mixed, 3.06a.5.00; Canada lambs, 7.00a. 7.05.

WASHINGTON CATTLE MARKET.

Beltimore, Dec. 21.—FLOUR—Market was quiet, Quotations: Winter extra, 2.20a.3.0; winter elear, 3.15a.3.5; winter straight, 3.20a.3.45; winter patent, 2.30a.3.45; winter straight, 3.20a.3.45; winter patent, 2.30a.3.5; spring clear, 2.53a.0.6; spring clear, 3.53a.0.6; spring clear, 3.53a.0.6; spring clear, 3.53a.3.5; spring patent, 4.20a.4.69; city Mills best portionary, 2.50 to 3.00.

HOGS—Per cwt.; gross, 6.00 to 8.25; ordinary, 5.00

SHEEP—Clipped, 4.00; medium, 3.50 to 3.75; common, 2.00 to 3.00.

LAMBS—Per pound, spring, choice, 7; medium, 6 to 7; CalVes—Per pound, spring, choice, 7; medium, 6 to 7; Calves—Per pound, prime, 7; medium, 6 to 7; cars, 4 to 4%.

COWS—Each, prime, 40.00 to 50.00; common, 20.00

To 30.00; old and dry, 8.66 to 10.00.

PRUDUUE IN BALTIMUKE.

Baltimore, Dec. 21.—FLOUR—Market was quiet, color 21.—FLOUR—Market was quiet, color 22.—Balt winter extra, 2.50a.3.0; winter extra, 2.50a.3.0; winter extra, 2.50a.3.0; winter patent, 2.50a.3.0; winter patent, 2.50a.3.0; winter patent, 2.50a.3.0; winter patent, 2.50a.3.0; winter extra, 2.50a.3.0; winter patent, 2.50a.3.0; winter patent, 2.50a.3.0; winter patent, 2.50a.3.0; winter patent, 2.50a.3.0; winter extra, 2.50a.3.0; winter patent, 2.50a.3.0; winter patent, 2.50a.3.0; winter patent, 2.50a.3.0; winter patent, 2.50a.3.0; winter extra, 2.50a.3.0; winter patent, 2.50a.3

quiet and easy; January, 74a74%. The market for Western closed dull; spot, December, 75%; Jan-

OATS-The market was firm. Stock in elevator

BIAME PLACED ON BROKERS

week ago about an increase in the dividend rate as well as about other favorable developments that have not compable developments that have not compable developments that have not compable for these tips, and of course, it is conceivable that the stories were circulated by the bears so that they might be able to put out short lines of the stock on good terms with a view to covering when public expectation net with disappointment, as they knew it would.

New York, Dec. 21.—In spite of the easier tendency of call money in the past day or two the interest rate charged by brokers on customers' accounts for the company's receipts were the largest in record. The average customer who finds that he is charged 15 per cent may be inclined to grumble, but those who fully understand the circumstances will stock payable. Junuary 14. to stock of the payable. Junuary 14. to st

pany, has resigned to accept a business offer in New York.

Opinions on the New York Market,
G. Bowle Chipman, of E. R. Chapman
& Co.—"Moderate improvement continued
in yesterday's market, with a few issues
slightly more conspicuous by their

LOCAL PRODUCE MARKET.

(Prices quoted are wholesale.)

BUTTER-Market strong and unchanged. Creamery, fancy, 32½ to 33 per pound; Western

CHEESE-Market steady. New York State, factory, large, 13½ to 14; do., small, 14½ to 15; summer, large, 12 to 12½; Western factory, new, choice, 11; do., fair to good, 10 to 11; Virginia, 9 to 10. EGGS-Receipts liberal and market firm. Nearby, fresh Virginia, 25 to 25; West Virginia and

VEGETABLES-Irish potatoes, market firm, Yame

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COTTON MARKET.

highest prices of the day. Union Pa- steadiness to-day under covering by shorts, and cific showed considerable strength, and the encouraging way in which Liverpool took th day, but I look for higher prices next showed a falling off from the previous week. The and later this money will be seeming the state of the sta

New York. Open. High. Low. Closing. 2.10 9.18 9.10 9.18 9.18 9.24 9.15 9.21 9.50, 9.55 9.48 9.52 9.68 9.75 9.68 9.73 9.50, 9.55 9.48 9.68 9.75 9.68 9.82 9.84 9.82 New Orleans.

Open. High. Low. 2 p.m. ... 10.04 10.06 10.04 10.05 ... 10.00 10.05 9.95 10.00 ... 10.03 10.09 10.00 10.03 ... 10.13 10.18 10.09 10.14 ... 10.30 10.30 10.29 10.23 Spot Markets, Receipts. Shipmts. Stocks. Mids. Sales. ... 16,792 439,536 1044 738 16,728 405,417 1044 2,509 10¾ 738 10¾ 2,500 10 460 5,342 4,753 556 1,002

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POIR State and Poir American in hogsheads.

LARD-Firmer; prime Western, 2.35; city, 8.75a 2.00; refined continent, 9.59; South American, in kegs, 10.59; refined Brazilian, kegs, 11.5; city stearine, 10; oleostearine, steady; city, 12; Chicago, 11%.

Now York, Dec. 21.—WHEAT—Light demand. No. 1 Northern Duluth, to arrive (lake and rail), 6% cover May, f. o. b.; No. 2 Northern Manitoba, 87%, f. o. b.; No. 2 hard, f. o. b.; No. 2 hard, f. o. b.; No. 2 hard, f. o. b.; No. 2 macaroni, 76. Exporters took 2 loads.

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